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H. CON. RES. 259

Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the relief efforts undertaken by charitable organizations and the people of the United States in the aftermath of the terrorist attacks against the United States that occurred on September 11, 2001.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 1, 2001

Mr. Bilirakis (for himself, Ms. Baldwin, and Mr. Crowley) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the relief efforts undertaken by charitable organizations and the people of the United States in the aftermath of the terrorist attacks against the United States that occurred on September 11, 2001.

Whereas the people of the United States have a long and honorable tradition of assisting individuals, families, and communities in need;

Whereas charitable organizations play a vital role in delivering services to individuals and families that are in need of relief;

Whereas charitable organizations are providing relief to the victims of the terrorist attacks against the United States that occurred on September 11, 2001, and their families;

Whereas the people of the United States have been extremely generous in contributing to charitable organizations that provide relief to the victims of the terrorist attacks and their families; and

Whereas more than \$1,000,000,000 has been collected for charitable work related to the terrorist attacks: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate 2 concurring), That Congress—
 - (1) praises the people of the United States for their patriotism and generosity in donating their money, time, and blood to support the victims of the terrorist attacks against the United States that occurred on September 11, 2001, and their families;
 - (2) commends charitable organizations for their hard work in providing needed assistance to the individuals and families who have been affected by the terrorist attacks;
 - (3) urges charitable organizations to use the money collected from the people of the United States for the purposes for which the money was donated, and to limit the extent to which such money is used for administrative costs; and

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1 (4) condemns individuals and groups that 2 fraudulently use contributions for objectives unre-3 lated to the purpose for which the contributions were 4 made.

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